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PATENT APPLICATION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
U.S. Application No.: 10/674,422

REMARKS

Claims 3-19, 22-24, and 26-42 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicants and the undersigned representative thank the Examiner and Supervisor for the courtesies extended during the telephonic interview. During the interview, the undersigned has discussed the two cited references, namely: Othmer USP 2004/0064317 and Lamburt USP 6,374,241, and highlighted the distinguishing features of the invention of the Subject Application. Applicants now submit the subject Amendment and respectfully requests further consideration of the subject Application in view of the following remarks.

I. Claim Rejection under Section 101

Claims 22-35 stand rejected under Section 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Independent claim 22 has been amended and Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are directed to statutory subject matter.

II. Claim Rejection under Section 102

Claims 1-4 and 22-26 stand rejected as being anticipated by Othmer. Claims 1, 2, and 25 have been canceled, thereby making this claim moot with respect to these claims. Claims 3 and 4 now depend from newly introduced claim 39, which is distinguishable from Ohtmer. Claim 22 has been amended to specifically claim the features of the invention and thereby distinguish from Ohtmer. Notably, Ohtmer discloses a system for transcription services over the network. On the other hand, the claimed invention relate to a system for scanning a document viewed by a user, extracting from the document searchable element, and determining whether an entry in a contact

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database correspond to the searchable element. If so, the contact data is displayed to the user without disrupting the viewed document. Othmer does not anticipate such a system.

III. Claim Rejection under Section 103

Claims 5-19 and 27-38 stand rejected as being obvious from Othmer in view of Lamburt. As noted in Section II above, as amended, the claims relate to a system for retrieving contact information based on a document viewed by a user. Othmer, as noted above, discloses a transcription system, while Lamburt discloses a contact database and method for updating the contact database. Neither of these references, nor any combination thereof, discloses or suggests a system that monitors the documents viewed by a user, extract searchable elements, and uses the searchable elements to search a contact database for matching entries. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are patentable over the cited references or any combination thereof.

Claims 20 and 21 stand rejected as being unpatentable over Othmer in view of CardReader Inc. Claims 20 and 21 have been canceled, thereby making this rejection moot.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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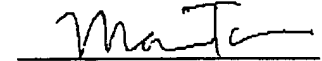
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